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SUBJECT: REVISION OF EC MIDDLE EAST DECLARATION

DURING CONVERSATION OCTOBER 16 WITH MICHAEL BUTLER, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY IN FCO FOR EC AFFAIRS, WE ASKED CURRENT STATUS OF COMMUNITY EFFORT TO REDRAFT NOVEMBER 1973 DECLARATION ON THE MIDDLE EAST. BUTLER CONFIRMED THERE IS SOME SENTIMENT IN THE COMMUNITY FOR REVISING THE STATEMENT, ESPECIALLY AMONG FRG, FRENCH, AND UK. GERMANS BELIEVE 1973 DECLARATION IS OUT OF DATE; FRENCH WISH REDRAFT TO BE MORE FORTHCOMING TOWARDS PALESTINIANS; AND HMG, ESPECIALLY CALLAGHAN, WANT TO PUT STAMP OF LABOR GOVERNMENT ON LANGUAGE ASSENTED TO BY HEATH REGIME. BUTLER SAID DUTCH WERE RESISTING ANY REDRAFT AND THAT IN ANY EVENT WASHINGTON

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NEED NOT BE NERVOUS. ANY REVISION WHICH COULD BE

AGREED TO BY ALL OF THE NINE WOULD BE INDISTINGUISHABLE
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